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Application of: Sobek *et al.*

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For: *MUTANT B-TYPE POLYMERASES
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(A)Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2003, be extended for a period of 2 months from April 24, 2003 to and including June 24, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$410.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 1803-280-999). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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